



The Gospel in Uganda

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Financial report for October 2008

Many thanks for the congregations and brethren who gave support towards the Lord's work in Uganda. Again, early in the month was hard but the Lord used a few decent brethren to send us support, to the glory of God. Many thank to you all for the good work.

Receipt for August 2008

Date	Amount	Description
October 02, 2008	\$1025	Evening Shade church of Christ (Bro. Clint)
October 03, 2008,	\$1000	from Southside church
October 07, 2008	\$85	From bro. Henly of Southside to Rosemary
October 07, 2008	\$200	Bro. Jim Johnson (Western Union)
October 11, 2008	\$300	Nick Soyars (Moneygram)
October 17, 2008	\$400	Bro. Patrick, East Valley church (Moneygram)
October 23, 2008	\$335	Evening Shade church of Christ (Bro. Clint)
October 25, 2008	\$400	Keith Sharp
October 28, 2008	\$400	Dennis Baron (Moneygram)
October 28, 2008	\$1225	32nd Str church of Christ, Paducah,
TOTAL	\$5370	

Expenditures

Item	Amount	Description
1	\$690	Transport for brethren and myself to preach
2	\$605	Rent for worship places,
3	\$700	Rosemary's upkeep (with children on holidays)
5	\$740	Upkeep for my family (with children on holidays).
6	\$2400	Rosemary's rent (Sept, Oct, Nov, Dec, Jan, Feb)
7	\$200	Rosemary gave to women for small businesses
9	\$35	Beneficiary bank charges
TOTAL	\$5370	

October 2008, Report

I would like to convey many thanks to the congregations and individual brethren for being very supportive to the Lord's work here in Uganda. The going is very hard but the Lord provides sufficient grace.

We have also joined our brethren from the US in prayers during their voting exercise. We are praying, believing that the Lord will grant them a leader who will look unto God for the right direction. Americans have stood with the world over politically, economically and spiritually. We shall be glad to see the Lord continue prospering America.

October was very rainy again, in fact more rainy than September. Again, due to poor sanitation, there were still many reported deaths due to cholera attacks in many parts of the cities.

There were also many reported deaths due to road and construction accidents. One Friday, I was almost caught in a fatal accident that killed 32 passengers on Kampala-Jinja highway where I travel 4 times a week. The accident involved a trailer, a bus and a Government pick up truck. Such are some of the challenges in Uganda.

We have also been experiencing fuel shortages, while the inflation rate has stayed high. The cost of living has also continued to be high affecting many other things.

Please continue praying for us as we labor for the expansion of the Lord's kingdom to this end.

Baptism.

I've continued to teach the new converts. Mr. Masaba and Cornelius are more consistent in attending studies. Mr Okong is a bit weak, but they are all doing well spiritually.

Lakeside Church,

I concentrated most of the studies from Luke 15. Brethren have continued to walk in the mud to attend church. Last Sunday, rain fell from 6am till 11am, the time our prayers should have started. The saints who live in the slums almost failed to pray because of

mud and persistent downpour. My van could not access their homes because of mud. (Brother Keith Sharp is acquainted with the mud in Uganda).

The attendance has remained fine in all services. We also studied from Exodus 1-3 and were able to see how merciful the Lord is to HIS children. The Lord has continued to bless the Lord's work and the word of God with its challenges are the same everywhere.

Kampala Church

We studied from Luke 15 some part of the month with the brethren. We saw how patient a father is to his children, who trespass against him. We are encouraged that even when we fall, it's up to us to get back to our Father whose love is unending.

The attendance has remained stable, over 35 on Sundays and over 15 in the weekdays. The Lord has continued to encourage us.

Tororo Church

As I said, brother John who has always been helpful has some commitments outside Tororo, but brother Fred is becoming more and more competent in the Lord's work. John and his wife Esther are likely to get settled in Kenya, Rosemary was told.

Rosemary visited Tororo and talked to ladies and children as usual. I also did my monthly visit the last weekend of the month. I went through 1Kings 17:1-16. The saints were encouraged.

Rosemary's contribution,

I will continue to request the saints to commit Rosemary to the Lord. She has continued to be very helpful to me in the Lord's work. She has also continued to encourage women to run small businesses. May the Lord bless some of the brethren who are standing with her.

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